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Applicant(s): Kobayashi et al.

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For: STORAGE MEDIUM AND METHOD
AND APPARATUS FOR SEPARATELY
PROTECTING DATA IN DIFFERENT
AREAS OF THE STORAGE MEDIUM
(as amended)

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in
the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

Extension fee for response within first month:

- () By a small entity (§1.9(f))..... \$ 55.00
() By other than a small entity \$ 110.00

Extension fee for response within second month:

- () By a small entity (§1.9(f))..... \$ 200.00
() By other than a small entity \$ 400.00

Extension fee for response within third month:

- () By a small entity (§1.9(f))..... \$ 460.00
(X) By other than a small entity \$ 920.00

Extension fee for response within fourth month:

- () By a small entity (§1.9(f))..... \$ 720.00
() By other than a small entity \$1,440.00

(X) A check for \$ 810.00 to cover the extension fee is enclosed. (\$110.00 previously paid on 1/25/2002.

() Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 07-2069.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to
this petition, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. Should no proper
amount be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated,
otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to
charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is
enclosed.

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